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COUNTRY: CUBA/BRAZIL

SUBJ: INTEREST

IN DETAILS OF THE "BATISTA CONSPIRACY PLAN"

DOI: 2 APRIL 1965

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SOURCE:

1. (SUMMARY:

A "BATISTA CONSPIRACY PLAN" WHICH REORGANIZES THE
BATISTIANOS INTO A GROUP DEDICATED TO GAINING CONTROL OF A FUTURE
GOVERNMENT OF CUBA THROUGH EITHER ELECTIONS IN EXILE OR MANEUVERS IN
A LIBERATED CUBA. BOTH METHODS WOULD INVOLVE THE USE OF
AS THE WILLING FRONT MAN. (THE PLAN ALSO INVOLVES THE TAKE-
OVER OF POWER IN HAITI.)

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2. ON 2 APRIL 1965 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ASKED A CLOSE FRIEND AND CONFIDANT, WHO RESIDES IN MIAMI AND HAS ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON EXILE MANEUVERINGS, IF HE KNEW ANY DETAILS OF THE "BATISTA CONSPIRACY PLAN." [REDACTED] WAS TOLD THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

3. THE BATISTIANOS FEEL THAT THEIR GROUP IS THE ONLY ONE WITH COHESIVENESS AND UNITY WITHIN THE EXILE COMMUNITY AND, IF THEY CAN KEEP IT THIS WAY, THEY FEEL THEY HAVE A GOOD CHANCE OF RETURNING TO POWER IN CUBA EITHER BY ELECTION IN EXILE OR BY ^{GAINING} CONTROL IN A LIBERATED CUBA, AMID THE EXPECTED INFIGHTING AMONG REVOLUTIONARIES, BY HAVING SOMEONE FRONT FOR THEM.

4. THE BATISTIANOS, IN THE EVENT ANY ELECTIONS ARE HELD TO CHOOSE A FUTURE PRESIDENT OF CUBA, HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO VOTE FOR [REDACTED] WHO IS ALREADY RECEIVING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR HIS COOPERATION IN THE PLAN. THE BATISTIANOS FEEL THEY COULD CONTROL CUBA THROUGH [REDACTED]

5. THE BATISTIANOS HAVE ORGANIZED THEMSELVES INTO THREE GROUPS: CIVIL AFFAIRS, [REDACTED]

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AFFAIRS, [REDACTED]

AND THE

ACTION ARM, HEADED BY ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, WHO IS IN HIDING IN THE MIAMI AREA AND IS BELIEVED TO BE IN THE PROCESS OF REORGANIZING HIS "TIGERS." [REDACTED] IS DIRECTING THE

MAJOR FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION WHILE [REDACTED]

IS [REDACTED] MINOR FINANCIAL AFFAIRS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS OFFERED MONEY TO JOIN THE GROUP, BUT HE REFUSED TO PARTICIPATE. [REDACTED]

IS CUSTODIAN [REDACTED] OF THE ORGANIZATION.

6. ANOTHER ASPECT OF THE BATISTIANO PLAN, WHICH IS IN ITS FINAL STAGES, INCLUDES PLANS TO TAKE OVER THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT BY USING HAITIAN NATIONALS FOR THE OPERATION. [REDACTED] COMMENT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH AN ATTEMPT BY HAITIAN AND CUBAN EXILES TO OVERTHROW HAITIAN DICTATOR FRANCOIS DUVALIER BASED ON PROMISES OF BASES IN HAITI FROM WHICH TO LAUNCH ANTI-CASTRO OPERATIONS.)

7. THE BATISTIANOS CLAIM TO HAVE THE COOPERATION OF INDIVIDUALS IN CUBA WHO HAVE NEVER LEFT THE ISLAND.

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8. [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE HAD AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE PLANS. HE SAID THAT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WAS INSISTED UPON TALKING WITH HIM AGAIN AND IS NOW INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER [REDACTED] WOULD RECOGNIZE A "LARGE ORGANIZATION" IF NOT A CUBAN GOVERNMENT IN EXILE. [REDACTED] SAID HE WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN KNOWING [REDACTED] RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BATISTIANOS ESPECIALLY AS RELATED TO THE ABOVE PLAN AND THE GOVERNMENT IN EXILE. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] HAD BEEN APPRISED OF THE SITUATION ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO AND CLAIMED THAT HE WAS ALREADY AWARE OF IT. HOWEVER, HE WAS STILL INTERESTED IN PUSHING HIS GOVERNMENT IN EXILE IDEA.

9. FIELD DISSEM: CINCLANT, CINCSO, COMKWESTFOR, [REDACTED] STATE, USCG, BORDER PATROL, I&NS, FBI AND CUSTOMS. [REDACTED]

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